

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Resolution ALJ-194
Administrative Law Judge Division
October 19, 2006

R E S O L U T I O N

RESOLUTION ALJ-194. Ratification of changes to preliminary determinations pursuant to Rule 7.5.

Summary

This resolution approves the change of the preliminary determination made earlier by the Commission regarding the need for hearing in Application (A.) 06-05-023. (Res. ALJ 176-3174, June 15, 2006.)

Discussion

Senate Bill 960 (Leonard, ch. 96-0856) requires, among other things, that the Commission categorize proceedings and determine the need for hearing for purposes of determining the applicable restrictions on ex parte communications and other applicable rules. The rules implementing these requirements are found, for the most part, in Articles 7 and 8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Pursuant to Rule 7.1(a), for proceedings initiated by application, the Commission's preliminary determination of category and need for hearing shall be confirmed or changed by assigned Commissioner's ruling.

Rule 7.1(a) requires Commission approval of assigned Commissioner's rulings that change the preliminary determination of category or need for hearing. The Commission has reviewed the scoping memo in A.06-05-023, and approves the assigned Commissioner's ruling changing the determination of need for hearing from no hearing needed to hearing needed, consistent with the requirements and definitions of Articles 7 and 8 of its rules.

No public review or comment is required for this resolution pursuant to Rule 14.7.
IT IS ORDERED that the assigned Commissioner's ruling changing the preliminary determination and/or category as set forth above is approved.

This resolution is effective today.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly introduced, passed, and adopted at a conference of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California held on October 19, 2006, the following Commissioners voting favorably thereon:

STEVE LARSON
Executive Director